

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

On page 2, line 6, please remove the underline from the section heading by replacing the section heading as follows:

RELATED APPLICATION **RELATED APPLICATION**

On page 2, line 11, please remove the underline from the section heading by replacing the section heading as follows:

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION **BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION**

On page 2, line 13, please remove the underline from the section heading by replacing the section heading as follows:

FIELD OF THE INVENTION **FIELD OF THE INVENTION**

On page 2, line 18, please remove the underline from the section heading by replacing the section heading as follows:

BACKGROUND ART **BACKGROUND ART**

On page 3, line 6, please remove the underline from the section heading by replacing the section heading as follows:

Internet **Internet**

On page 4, line 8, please remove the underline from the section heading by replacing the section heading as follows:

XML DOM **XML DOM**

On page 5, line 11, please remove the underline from the section heading by replacing the section heading as follows:

Preferences Preferences

One page 6, line 15, please remove the underline from the section heading by replacing the section heading as follows:

Problems Associated with Merging DOM Trees On The Fly Problems Associated with
Merging DOM Trees on the Fly

On page 8, line 1, please remove the underline from the section heading by replacing the section heading as follows:

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

One page 9, line 1, please remove the underline from the section heading by replacing the section heading as follows:

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE
DRAWINGS

On page 10, line 1, please remove the underline from the section heading by replacing the section heading as follows:

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF
THE INVENTION

On page 10, line 10, please remove the underline from the section heading by replacing the section heading as follows:

Runtime Merge System Runtime Merge System

On page 11, line 11, please remove the underline from the section heading by replacing the section heading as follows:

Reference Node Implementation Reference Node Implementation

On page 13, line 7, please remove the underline from the section heading by replacing the section heading as follows:

Embodiment of an XML Merging System Embodiment of an XML Merging System

On page 14, line 14, please remove the underline from the section heading by replacing the section heading as follows:

Clone Clone

On page 15, line 5, please remove the underline from the section heading by replacing the section heading as follows:

Case Study Case Study

On page 16, line 20, please remove the underline from the section heading by replacing the section heading as follows:

Steps In Executing the Runtime Merge System Steps in Executing the Runtime Merge System

On page 19, line 11, please remove the underline from the section heading by replacing the section heading as follows:

Embodiment of Computer Execution Environment (Hardware) Embodiment of Computer Execution Environment (Hardware)

On page 24, line 1, please remove the underline from the section heading by replacing the section heading as follows:

CLAIMS CLAIMS

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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE